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Patent Application

Applicant(s): T. Mito et al.

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Title:

Information Distribution Method and System

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

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Sir:

Submitted herewith is the following document relating to the above-identified patent application:

(1) Amendment and Response to Office Action.

There is no additional fee due in conjunction with the Amendment. In the event of non-payment or improper payment of a required fee, the Commissioner is authorized to charge or to credit International Business Machines Corporation Deposit Account No. 50-0510 as required to correct the error.

Respectfully submitted,

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In response to the outstanding Office Action dated January 6, 2005, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows: